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Request for Grant Application Amendment #1

Request for Grant Application No.: FTF-STATE-13-0346-00
Request for Grant Application Title: Statewide Grant – REWARD\$
Release Date: December 7, 2011
Issuing Agency: Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board,
First Things First
Due Date: January 20, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.
Receipt/Opening Location: First Things First
4000 N Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85012
Contact: grants@azftf.gov
Fax (602) 265-0009

A SIGNED COPY OF THIS AMENDMENT SHALL BE RECEIVED AT THE ABOVE AGENCY LOCATION (PREFERRABLY WITH THE SOLICITATION RESPONSE) PRIOR TO THE DUE DATE AND TIME. IT IS NECESSARY TO RETURN THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU ARE RESPONDING TO THE SOLICITATION. THIS SOLICITATION IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

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- Are in good standing with their certifying, licensing or regulatory authority at the time of staff application for FTF Professional REWARD\$.

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This bullet will be removed from the Request for Grant Application.

Exhibit F**FTF Professional REWARD\$ Tiered Scale**

| LEVEL | EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (Note: one bulleted goal must be achieved within the level) | ANNUAL INCENTIVE (PAID BI-ANNUALLY) |
|--------------|--|--|
| >9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate Degree in ECH/ECE/ ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD or CD, <u>or</u> Graduate Degree in non-ECH/ECE/ ECSE or CD major including 36 credit hours in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD | \$2000.00 |
| >8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 year degree in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> 4 year degree in related field including at least 24 credit hours in ECH/ECE/ ECSE/CFS/ECA/ ITD or CD major | \$1500.00 |
| >7** | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 year degree in related field including at least 18 credit hours in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD or CD major, <u>or</u> 90 credit hours toward 4 year degree in ECH/ ECE/ECSE/CD | \$1200.00 |
| 6** | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 year degree in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> or ADE ECE Teacher Endorsement | \$900.00 |
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| 4* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Childhood Program Certificate of Completion from an accredited Community College, <u>or</u> 2 year degree in non-ECE, ECSE or CD major with 24 hours in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> 70 credit hours of liberal arts coursework toward a 4 year degree with 12 credit hours in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> 36 credit hours toward 2 year degree in ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> 36 credit hours in related field and at least 12 credit hours in ECH/ECE/ECSE/CFS/ECA/ITD/CD, <u>or</u> 36 credit hours in related field and a National CDA Credential awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington, DC | \$600.00 |
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| 1* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 credit hours in Early Childhood Education (ECE or ECH)), Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE), Child and Family Studies (CFS), Early Childhood Administration (ECA), Infant Toddler Development (ITD) or Child Development (CD) <u>or</u> National Child Development Associate Credential awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington, DC. | \$300.00 |

Successful completion of coursework with a grade of C or better is required at all levels.

HS Diploma/GED is NOT required for applicants with an AA degree or above.

Prerequisite developmental courses (below the 100 level) which are necessary for degree or certificate requirements count toward total credit hours for FTF Professional REWARD\$.

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Awardees at levels 7, 8 and 9, applicant should show a commitment to ongoing education and training in the field by earning 3 CEU's (continuing education units) every two years.

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ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE SOLICITATION SHALL REMAIN IN THEIR ENTIRETY.

**APPLICANT HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT
AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE ABOVE
AMENDMENT.**

THE ABOVE REFERENCED SOLICITATION
AMENDMENT IS ISSUED THIS DATE
Friday, December 23, 2011

Signature

Date

Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist

Typed Name & Title